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COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. In particular, Applicant notes that, for each claim, it is the combination of features recited in the claim that makes it patentable. All claims of the present application are allowable because they each recite a combination of features that is not taught or suggested by the prior art. Thus, Applicant respectfully notes that the patentability of the claims do not solely rest on the recitation of a particular feature or a particular combination of features. To the extent that some claims do not include all of the elements mentioned by the Examiner, and other claims include elements not mentioned by the Examiner, Applicant submits that these claims are patentable for their combination of features as acknowledged by the Examiner in allowing these claims.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present as well as past communications to the Office may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, Applicant is not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable Application No.: 09/295,577 Filing Date: April 22, 1999

over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that Applicant has made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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